

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) Oboe comprising an elongate body in two portions ~~adapted~~ configured to be nested one in the other, a first portion (10) carrying at one end (10a) a union (11) ~~adapted~~ configured to receive a reed, and a second portion (20) ~~being adapted~~ configured to be nested with a horn (30), ~~characterized in that wherein~~ a plane of transverse nesting of the two portions of the body is situated between octave holes (13) and note holes, there being note holes only in said second portion (20) and the horn (30) and there being octave holes only in said first portion (10).

2. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ said transverse nesting plane is situated between the octave holes (13) and trill holes (22) disposed between said octave holes (13) and the note holes.

3. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 2, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the first body portion (10) includes only octave holes (13).

4. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to any one of claims 1 to 3, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the G sharp key (24) extends partly under the E flat key (25).

5. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~wherein the first body portion (10) carrying the octave holes (13) has a length from 100 to 120 mm.

6. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 5, ~~wherein~~characterized in that said first body portion (10) has a length of substantially 102 mm.

7. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 1, ~~wherein~~characterized in that the second body portion (20) carrying the note holes has a length of substantially 370 mm.

8. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to Claim 1, ~~characterized in that it comprises~~further comprising an accessory in the form of another first portion interchangeable with said first portion (10).

9. (Currently Amended) Oboe head including octave holes (13) and carrying at one end (10a) a onion (11) adapted to receive a reed, ~~characterized in that it is adapted~~said oboe head configured to be nested with a second body portion (20) of an oboe according to claim 1.

10. (Currently Amended) Oboe head according to claim 9, characterized in that it has a length from 100 to 120 mm.

11. (Currently Amended) Oboe head according to either claim 9 or claim 10, ~~characterized in that it further includes~~comprising trill holes (22).

12. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 2, ~~wherein~~characterized in that the first body portion (10) carrying the octave holes (13) has a length from 100 to 120 mm.

13. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 3, wherein~~characterized in~~
~~that~~ the first body portion (10) carrying the octave holes (13) has a length from 100 to 120 mm.

14. (Currently Amended) Oboe according to claim 4, wherein~~characterized in~~
~~that~~ the first body portion (10) carrying the octave holes (13) has a length from 100 to 120 mm.